Remarks

A. Period For Reply

This paper is a Preliminary Amendment being filed with the filing of this case.

B. Status

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As noted above, this paper is a Preliminary Amendment.

C. Disposition Of Claims

Claims 1-5 are pending.

D. Application Papers

This case includes no drawings.

E. Priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and 120

This case is a 371 of PCT/JP2005/001627 filed January 28, 2005.

This case claims foreign priority from Japanese patent application number 2004-024181 filed January 30, 2004. Acknowledgement of such claim would be appreciated. As to such a claim, the Examiner is invited to make reference to the declaration filed in this case.

F. Attachments

Applicant is filing one PTO-1449 form in this case (with the filing of this case).

G. Summary

The Examiner is respectfully invited to make contact with the undersigned by telephone if such would advance prosecution of this case. Entry of the present Preliminary

Amendment would very much be appreciated.

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